

NOTICE OF INTENT/NOTICE OF PREPARATION

To:

All Interested Parties

Subject

Extension of the Comment Period for the Notice of Intent/Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (SCH#2013092010) (EIS/EIR) for the South Bay Salt

Pond Restoration Project, Phase 2

Date:

October 11, 2013

The California Coastal Conservancy, Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Lead Agency under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) will prepare a joint Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for Phase 2 of the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project. We need to know the views of the public and agencies regarding the scope and content of the environmental information included in that EIS/EIR. For agencies, these comments should be limited to the environmental information that is germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project, including your use when considering a permit or other approval for the project.

Due to potential staffing and resource impacts occurring as a result of the federal government shutdown furloughs that began on October 1, 2013, prior to the close of the NOI/NOP noticed comment periods, the California Coastal Conservancy and USFWS will extend the comment period to December 2, 2013.

The original Notice of Intent and Notice of Preparation are enclosed, providing a description of the project, location, and the previously identified potential effects.

Please send your comments and input, along with the name of a contact person in your agency, to:

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